



Abraham Amram, the Israeli freed from terrorist captivity in exchange for 76 convicted terrorists, hugs his two children as his wife touches his head on his return to Israel.

# Terrorist-held Israeli freed for 76 prisoners

By MARK SEGAL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter and Agencies

At an air base somewhere in Israel, Abraham Amram, the anti-hero of the Litani Campaign, yesterday returned home to a possible court martial and an emotional welcome from his tearful family after 11 months and 10 days in terrorist captivity.

He was brought home in an Israeli military aircraft from Geneva, where the International Red Cross Committee had supervised his exchange for 66 of the 76 terrorists let out of Israeli jails in order to free him. The other 10 released terrorists asked to be sent to the West Bank.

The exchange took place on the tarmac of Geneva's airport with the Israeli plane parked 700 metres from the chartered Bulgarian airliner which brought Amram from Damascus and later flew the terrorists to Libya.

At least six of the released terrorists were women. One of them, a young woman, was reportedly released to Israel. She had been imprisoned for her involvement in the Hebrew University's cafeteria, causing the get alonging of 23 students. Another of the women was reportedly one of the other hijackers.

The organization which had been monitoring Amram, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, is a well-known one of the more extreme Palestinian organizations in the Middle East. Its activities were complicated by what the group's spokesman, called a "climate of unbelievable suspicion and distrust" on both sides.

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# Carter welcomes cabinet approval

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — President Jimmy Carter yesterday welcomed the Israeli cabinet's approval of all the remaining unresolved issues standing in the way of a peace treaty with Egypt. But he and other key administration officials braced for a sharp reaction from much of the Arab world. They began focusing on efforts to try to meet this challenge.

Even before arriving back in Washington early yesterday morning, the president sent messages to several Arab leaders while still aboard Air Force One.

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Two Red Cross officials standing at the rear door of the Israeli aircraft checked the terrorists' names against a list as they emerged one by one through a curtain.

The terrorists — 30 of whom had been serving life sentences — then walked down a gangway to an airport bus marked with a Red Cross sign which stood about 30 metres away. Three more Red Cross vehicles and two police cars stood by, while police ringed the plane.

After about half the Arabs had been handed over to the Red Cross, the Palestinians allowed Amram to leave the Bulgarian aircraft and enter a Red Cross minibus, which drove to a point midway between the two planes.

When all the Palestinians were aboard their bus the two vehicles drove past each other to the respective aircraft. Amram went straight aboard the Israeli plane.

But the Arabs had to wait another 30 minutes, filling up the gangway to have their identities checked again by Palestinian officials before being allowed aboard the Bulgarian plane.

Amram was flown straight to Israel where he landed at an air force base. Looking fit, he clung to his family and faced a barrage of reporters and photographers.

He said he had been tortured during the early stages of his captivity in the hands of the PFLP. But once he was removed to his tiny Damascus cell, his treatment improved considerably.

Amram, 36, a Hadera subcontractor of heavy earth-moving equipment, said he did not believe he would face a court martial because

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# Anti-limitations draft gains ground in Bonn

BONN (Reuters) — A total of 213 deputies in West Germany's ruling left-liberal coalition yesterday tabled a draft law which would allow the continued prosecution of Nazi murderers.

The amendment calls for the statute of limitations on murder to be abolished altogether. It is due to be debated in Parliament before the end of June. The statute, which prevents new prosecutions for murder after the lapse of 30 years, comes into effect on December 31 this year.

About 30 members of the opposition Christian Democratic Union (CDU) have said they will support the amendment. This makes a total of 245 votes. The law will require a majority of 250. But the draft is expected to win the approval of further deputies from the ruling parties and the CDU as internal party discussions on the subject continue.

# West Bank pupils protest

Jerusalem Post Staff

Hundreds of pupils in most major West Bank towns and in East Jerusalem took to the streets again in attempts to demonstrate. Most of the attempts were blocked by security forces.

In East Jerusalem, school pupils gathered near the Kalandiya refugee camp and at the Old City's Damascus Gate and tried to organize demonstrations and roadblocks. They were dispersed by border policemen who fired shots over their heads.

In the morning, youths tried to persuade shopkeepers in the Old City's David Street — one of the main thoroughfares — to close shop in protest against the latest peace developments and the military government's behaviour towards demonstrators. Several shopkeepers did lock up, but they were persuaded by Israeli authorities to reopen in the afternoon.

In Ramallah all shops remained closed. Tires were burnt by demonstrators in several streets and stones were thrown at Israeli patrols. North of the city, youths

# Massive cabinet approval clears way for treaty

## Letter now 'eases sting' of autonomy deadline

By DAVID LANDAU  
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

In a last-minute change — for the better, from Israel's viewpoint — the "linkage side-letter" attached to the peace treaty will now provide that Arab autonomy in the territories be set up "as expeditiously as possible after the parties reach agreement."

This additional phrase, accepted by Egypt's President Anwar Sadat on Tuesday, "removes the sting" — in the words of a key policymaker — from the one-year "target date" contained in the side-letter.

The letter stipulates that the negotiations on the modalities of the autonomy must begin one month after the treaty signing and can continue for one year, "with the goal of implementing the autonomy" as expeditiously as possible. This was the text that Premier Menachem Begin accepted in Washington last week.

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## Weizman to U.S. today for bilateral talks

Jerusalem Post Staff

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman and senior Foreign Ministry and Treasury officials are flying to Washington today to negotiate with the U.S. government on aspects of a new memorandum of understanding between the U.S. and Israel that will accompany the peace treaty with Egypt.

Israel's proposals in this connection were worked out over the past three days by a committee comprising Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir, Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir, Foreign Ministry Director-General Yoel Chechouan and the ministry's legal aide Meir Rosennec.

At first the cabinet decided that Dayan, too, should attend the talks in Washington. But subsequently it was decided that Dayan would not go to Washington at this stage. His spokesman explained that there would be legal discussions at first, at which his presence was not required. He would fly over later if the discussions became more politically oriented.

Another Foreign Ministry official explained, however, that the political discussions on the proposed memorandum of understanding

## Egypt looks to Saudis as treaty evokes Arab fury

Post Mideast Affairs Editor

As a torrential anti-Egyptian campaign swept through the Arab world in the wake of the breakthrough in the Israel-Egypt peace talks, Egypt's Vice-President Hosni Mubarak flew to Saudi Arabia last night in an attempt to win that country's influential support for the draft peace treaty.

Mubarak went to the oil-rich kingdom from Sudan, where he took a message from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat explaining the peace proposals worked out with U.S. President Jimmy Carter during Carter's six-day visit to Egypt and Israel.

There was no word on the reaction of either Sudan or Saudi Arabia by late last night. Sadat was seen as eager to rally the two conservative countries to his side, to mitigate whatever isolation his Arab opponents may impose on Cairo. If they succeed, this could trigger unrest among pan-Arab elements within Egypt.

Cairo officials yesterday took pains to assure Egyptians and Arabs that Egypt had not abandoned its pledge to link its treaty with Israel to an overall settlement guaranteeing the creation of an autonomous administration in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Egyptians stressed that they had made no concessions on basic principles, and that they had compromised only on modalities. They defined the basic principles as the linkage between the draft peace treaty and the creation of autonomy, the priority of Egypt's Arab commitments over the treaty, and the emphasis on a comprehensive settlement.

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## Final cabinet vote on treaty set for Sunday

By ASHER WALLFISH, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Menachem Begin did not have to work hard to get a walkover victory in the cabinet yesterday in favour of the compromise package with Egypt which will make the signing of a peace treaty possible. Fifteen ministers voted in favour.

Of the two remaining cabinet members, Transport Minister Haim Landau would have voted against the package but had to leave to attend the funeral of a close relative. Education Minister Zevulun Hammer did not take part in the vote, because he will not make up his mind until the cabinet discusses autonomy in Judea and Samaria.

This issue will come up during Sunday's cabinet session, which is also due to give formal approval to the whole of the treaty once again. Several ministers, including Hammer, Landau and Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, yesterday stressed the gravity of the discussion on autonomy, which the cabinet had decided some weeks ago to hold before final approval of any treaty.

The discussion on autonomy does not mean that decisions will be taken, since this could hold up the treaty.

Begin had no need to exert any pressure on the cabinet to give him such massive support, according to one man present. Ministers who had all along shown eagerness to reach a quick decision were pleased with the compromise package. Ministers who previously opposed Begin or abstained accepted the finale of Tuesday's King David breakfast package between Begin and U.S. President Jimmy Carter as a fait accompli.

After the 6 1/2-hour cabinet meeting ended, Begin phoned Carter for 15 minutes to tell him what had transpired. "The president was very pleased to hear the news," Begin told journalists later.

Begin will report to President Yitzhak Navon and to the Likud Knesset faction today; to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee tomorrow; and to the Knesset, probably on Monday.

The compromise package approved yesterday included the issue of Israel's request to buy Sinai oil from Egypt after the withdrawal; the issue of the stages of the withdrawal, and the exchange of ambassadors.

Although the text of the treaty will only be made known officially next week to the Knesset, the compromise apparently depended on the following provisions:

Oil:

- Israel will get a 15-year guarantee from the U.S. to assure its oil supplies if it cannot get enough from Sinai and other sources. Israel will have an understanding from Egypt to supply it with an undefined quantity of Sinai oil. Israel will have the same status as any other purchaser and will pay the same price. There will be no long-term Egyptian commitment.

WITLEDRAWAL:

- Israel will supply Egypt with a breakdown of the phases of the interim withdrawal in Sinai which would leave the IDF mopping the El Arish-Ras Muhammad line nine months after the treaty is signed. Israel will hand El-Arish over to Egypt within two months of the signing as a special gesture of goodwill.

AMBASSADORS:

- Egypt has agreed to exchange ambassadors one month after the first withdrawal in the Sinai — i.e., 10 months after the signing of the treaty.

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The Prime Minister's hat is not mysteriously hovering at his right shoulder: Menachem Begin is getting help with his hat and coat after yesterday's cabinet meeting. (Rahamin Israeli)

## Begin catches cold

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Menachem Begin has got a cold in the nose.

He got the chill standing outside the King David Hotel in a sharp wind and without an overcoat during President Jimmy Carter's visit, according to cabinet secretary Aryeh Naor. The weather at Ben-Gurion Airport during Carter's departure ceremony did not improve things, he added.

Naor said last night: "The doctor told Begin to take Acamol."

Interior Minister Yosef Burg said the cabinet approval capped the process which began with Camp David One.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer said the two issues of oil and Sinai withdrawal on yesterday's agenda could not be isolated from the broader context of the treaty or from the question of autonomy.

Earlier plans called for a cabinet meeting this morning at 8 a.m. to start discussing the autonomy issue. However Begin cancelled this because of his cold and because the Knesset meets at 10 a.m. to complete the debate on the budget. He has no time this afternoon either, because of the Likud faction meeting.



The art thefts of Peter Menten, Dutch millionaire war criminal, Sarah Honig reveals all in a Jerusalem Post exclusive.



Was Einstein cool in his commitment to Zionism? Benny Morris examines this and other relevant questions on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of Einstein's birth.

Joe Shadur goes hiking in Sinai and discovers some unusual graffiti.

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HOME NEWS

But least support in Begin's own Herut party

Decisive majority expected in Knesset for treaty

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The peace treaty with Egypt is expected to win at least as comfortable a Knesset majority as did the Camp David accords last autumn...

But prior to the vote nearly all political parties have fixed a crowded schedule of meetings to adopt official positions.

Most parties, especially the small ones, will merely be going through the motions, as their support for the treaty is a foregone conclusion.

The stormiest confrontations are expected in Prime Minister Menachem Begin's own party, Herut.

Now, however, party spokesmen say the date of the meeting will depend on when Begin has a free evening.

Executive is to meet this afternoon. While it may address itself to the subject of peace, it will most likely be preoccupied with how to discipline Geula Cohen for her recent outbursts against the prime minister.

Herut's major Likud partner, the Liberal Party, has also not yet scheduled a meeting of any of its major decision-making bodies.

Only last week the Liberals' large party council met and came out overwhelmingly in favour of a peace agreement.

Liberal Knesset faction chief Avraham Shariq told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that "there is very little time before the vote, and so far the idea of calling party meetings has not been raised."

Sharif opposes any early discussion of autonomy as it "would put spokes in the wheels of peace. It's well known that our ideas on the subject don't mesh with those of the Egyptians or Americans, and it would be foolish to bring those differences into the open now."

The entire Likud Knesset faction will gather at the prime minister's house this evening, and that meeting may prove explosive.

of the NRP Executive, where a show-down with treaty opponents and Gush Emunim members is expected. The Executive will have to find a way to reconcile the party's insistence on a decision regarding the nature of autonomy before the Knesset vote...

The party's position paper on autonomy is very explicit in demanding that the autonomy apply only to people and not to territory, and that Jewish settlement in the territories be enabled to continue.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer however cautioned that the cabinet's stand on autonomy might not be publicized, as this could harm the chances of signing the treaty.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg praised the "lough stand by the prime minister" and characterized the peace treaty as "a prize for that stand."

Labour MK Eilahu Speiser yesterday sent an official complaint to the education minister over a report on Israel Radio which counted him among the treaty's opponents.

The Labour Party Bureau meets tonight to draw up guidelines for the debate expected on Sunday, when the 400-member party Central Committee will decide how the party's MKs are to vote.

expressing support for the treaty but rejecting the government's autonomy plan. If that proposal does not pass in the Knesset, Labour MKs are expected to be allowed to vote as each wishes.

Nevertheless, most Labourites are sure to support the treaty, as will most of the NRP MKs. In Herut, estimates differ and some predict greater opposition to the treaty than to the Camp David accords — when nine of the 19 Herut MKs opposed or abstained.

One Herut MK, Moshe Katsav, yesterday called for a referendum on the treaty, though his idea stands little chance.

Mapam and Shai decided yesterday to support the treaty, and the Democratic Movement Council meets tomorrow to do likewise.

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Einstein meet opens in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter: The Jerusalem Einstein Centennial Symposium opened last night at the Jerusalem Van Leer Foundation in the presence of President Yitzhak Navon...

Egypt

(Continued from page 1) The Egyptian government put the following scenario for the agreement: Ratification of the peace accord by Cairo, Jerusalem and Washington...



This school bus sustained severe damage yesterday morning when a bomb planted inside went off while it was parked in Jerusalem's Morasha quarter. No one was injured, as the bus was idle during yesterday's Shushan Purim school holiday.

Peace treaty will increase taxes, pressure on economy

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter

The signing of the peace treaty with Egypt will add considerably to the burdens of the Israeli taxpayer.

Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich will be in the Knesset this morning to reply to critics of the budget he has worked out for the next fiscal year.

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The Negev airbases that will replace Israel's old Sinai ones — including having them bring in workers from abroad — in order to keep down inflation.

The Treasury is also thinking of asking the government to declare that all further state activities, such as the expenses that withdrawal will entail in the Negev, requires a cut-back in other outlays.

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Arab states call for boycott of Egypt because of treaty

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies

Several Arab states yesterday demanded that last November's Baghdad summit resolutions providing for sanctions against Egypt be implemented immediately.

Though most of the demands for imposing sanctions on Egypt came from radical Arab states, conservative Jordan and Kuwait joined the call.

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed said yesterday that the sanctions would be imposed if Sadat went ahead with his plan to sign the treaty.

The Baghdad resolution, which was endorsed by almost all Arab states, calls for an economic boycott of Egypt, breaking off diplomatic relations with Cairo, expelling it from the Arab League...

The daily newspaper "Al-Ba'ath" organ of the ruling Arab Socialist Party, called on the Arabs to put into effect the Baghdad summit resolutions.

Iraq's ruling Ba'ath Party newspaper "Al-Thawriya" called for implementing the Baghdad summit resolutions.

Sen. Richard Stone (Democrat-Florida), chairman of the foreign relations subcommittee on the Middle East, said the U.S. should provide increased economic assistance to Egypt if other Arab nations reduce aid to Sadat.

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman is expected here this week with a team of military officials to continue those talks.

White House press secretary Jody Powell, during a briefing Tuesday in Cairo, signalled the administration's intention to move ahead in these areas.

Republican leader Howard Baker said: "Whatever the cost, the cost of peace must be weighed against the cost of war."

Senate Majority leader Robert Byrd (Democrat-W. Virginia) said: "War, international terrorism, economic disruption, assassinations, civil unrest, social turmoil, oil embargoes and chronic anxiety have been a few of the costs of that conflict."

Allon, Dulzin plead help for Soviet Jews

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"This may be the last chance to save Soviet Jewry," said Yigal Allon, speaking at the 12th International Convention of the World Council of Synagogues in Jerusalem yesterday.

Arve Dulzin, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency Executive, also spoke at the convention, urging renewed efforts to secure Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union.

In an implied warning to American Jews to refrain from luring Soviet Jews to their shores, Dulzin stressed that exit visas are only issued to Jews on the understanding that they are travelling to Israel.

Of 450,000 Jews who applied to leave Russia over the past nine years, only 185,000 received permission, Dulzin said.

Vienna dropouts hit record 76%

The dropout rate among Soviet Jewish emigrants arriving at the Vienna transit camp reached a peak of 76 per cent in the first week of this month.

Nearly 600 of the 800 emigrants who arrived in Vienna during the week decided to forego Israel and settle elsewhere, even though they left the Soviet Union on visas for Israel.

Jewish Agency Executive chairman Arve Dulzin has sent ally department head Raphael Kotlowitz to the U.S. to confer with Jewish leaders over the crisis in the dropout situation.

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Beduin protest removal of sheep

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Committee for the Rights of Beduin charged in a press conference here yesterday that soldiers and members of the Israel Lands Administration's Green Patrol had beaten Beduin while removing their sheep from a plot in the Negev.

The Agriculture Ministry, which is responsible for the Lands Administration, said yesterday that the Beduin had been grazing on a military training field which they had repeatedly been warned to leave.

The incident took place on February 21, near Kibbutz Tze'elim.

EL-UKBI charged that four of the herd's owners who arrived at the site were beaten by soldiers, and that the Beduin were taken to the Ofakim police station and beaten again by soldiers.

He also accused soldiers of stealing some of the 15 lambs he said were missing when the Beduin reclaimed their herd from the Beersheba quarantine station.

Commenting on the Beduin's charges, Agriculture Ministry spokesman Natfali Yaniv said the Green Patrol safeguards agricultural land with fairness to all, and without violence.

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Advertisement for Jenny Zimmer's funeral and Zeev Weltsch's memorial service.

Ship on Fatah mission stopped by naval patrol

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter
Israeli naval vessels recently stopped a cargo ship on a mission for the Fatah terrorist organization...

The ship also carried an RPD machinegun, two Russian-made Kalashnikov assault rifles, three American-made M-203 assault rifles/grenade launchers...



The Ginan, a cargo ship chartered by the Fatah to carry out a terrorist operation against Israel. The ship was stopped by a routine IDF naval patrol. (IDF photo)

Youth shot dead resisting burglars

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A 15-year-old resident of East Jerusalem, Suleiman Ghoshli, was shot to death early yesterday morning...

ly sawed through the bars on the window and were searching the house for money and valuables. The Ghoshli family own a large grocery store in Sheikh Jarrah...

Women protest IDF exemptions

TEL AVIV (JTA). — About 1,000 women demonstrated outside Histadrut headquarters here yesterday against easy exemptions from army service for girls who declare they are religious.

Seidel (Likud-Ahdut), Zelman Shoval (Likud-La'am), Sarah Doron (Likud-Liberals), Uri Avnery (Shefi), Akiva Nof (Democratic Movement) and Chalka Grossman (Alignment-Mapam)...

Spokesman for People's Temple commits suicide

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter
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The defendants, facing various federal charges at a jury trial in U.S. District Court, Manhattan, are Victor Vancier, 21, and Bruce Berger, 30. Both were described as members of the New Jewish Defense League.

Government cuts may force day-care centres to close

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needed there, due to the problems of children bred in Tel Aviv's most notorious slum quarter. The deficit at Beit Rovina is estimated at IL1,136,340, Herlitz said.

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Iranian Jews reported planning exodus

LONDON (JTA). — Many of Iran's 75,000 Jews fear for their future and are considering following the 18,000 who left the country before the February revolution...

Holon man cleared of friend's killing

TEL AVIV (JTA). — The owner of an electronic goods shop in Holon was acquitted yesterday of complicity in the killing of an elderly friend who died during a brutal robbery.

Arab students rap pro-PLO activists

Many of the Arab participants in a Jewish-Arab student meeting organized by Mapam recently expressed concern about the message of support sent by six Israeli Arab students to the Palestine Liberation Organisation...

Egypt's physicists asked to Israel meet

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Israel's physicists hope to host their Egyptian colleagues at the forthcoming annual meeting of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics in Quebec...

Mother dies ignorant of her baby's birth

JERSEY CITY (Reuters). — A 39-year-old housewife who gave birth last week to a daughter while in a coma has died without ever knowing her baby was born.

Iran quits Golan patrol

The bulk of the Iranian contingent of the UN observer force in the Golan Heights withdrew yesterday and returned home, a UN spokesman said.

Settlement budget hiked day before Carter visit

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter
Prime Minister Menachem Begin instructed Finance Minister Simha Eshkol to increase next year's budget for settlement in the administered territories one day before U.S. President Jimmy Carter arrived in Israel...

Doctors, ministry clash over safest road to hospital

By LYNDA GOLDMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Doctors and staff at Shmuel Harofeh Hospital, near Be'er Ya'acov, are threatening to take "drastic steps" if the Ministry of Transport does not re-open the direct road leading to the hospital.

truck was hit by a train. Although no one was hurt, Israel Railways requested that the road be closed. The alternative road also crosses the tracks, but there is a barrier at the crossing.

Rafah brothers say IDF took their land

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter
Two brothers from Rafah yesterday claimed that a plot of land belonging to their family for generations had been seized by the army. They told a Jerusalem press conference that the IDF had banned them from farming the plot...

a tractor and destroyed their vegetable crop, causing IL2.5m worth of damage. The army spokesman said that there was no proof that the land had belonged to the grandfather or anyone else in the family...

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### Attack force stopped in Iran's Kurdish area

TEHERAN (Reuter). — Troops and revolutionary militia drove off an assault by an estimated 600 unidentified armed men on an army barracks in a Kurdish area near the Iraqi border Tuesday night, newspapers reported yesterday.

Meanwhile, about 1,500 Iranians, mostly high school students, demonstrated outside the British embassy in Teheran for nearly three hours yesterday to demand easier access to Britain for Iranian students, embassy officials said.

### South Africans hit guerrillas in Angola

WINDHOEK, South West Africa. — South African forces destroyed a black nationalist guerrilla base somewhere outside the territory yesterday, the regional defence chief announced.

Africans had penetrated 17 km. into Angola and that South African planes had bombed the village of Cahama.

### Economic woes forecast for new Rhodesia regime

SALISBURY (Reuter). — Rhodesia's first black-dominated government will face an extremely difficult economic situation caused by the war, the flight of whites from the country and increased black expectations, one of the country's leading banks predicted yesterday.

### Congress backs new mode for U.S.-Taiwan links

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Congress has overwhelmingly endorsed President Carter's plan to handle U.S. relations with Taiwan on an unofficial basis, following diplomatic recognition of China.

### Jet crash in Qatar kills 45 Jordanians

DOHA, Qatar (Reuter). — Forty-five people were killed and 19 injured when a Jordanian airliner crashed in a thunderstorm at Doha airport yesterday, officials said.



GOING NATIVE — Visiting Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin is turbaned and garlanded by his Indian hosts during ceremony at Bangalore airport this week.

### Fighting between the two Yemens ends with truce

BEIRUT (UPI). — Arab League mediators say the border clashes between North and South Yemen have ceased and the two countries are moving to re-establish normal relations.

### U.S. papers laud Carter's role in peace breakthrough

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — American newspapers were vocal yesterday in their praise for President Jimmy Carter's contribution to the success of the Middle East peace negotiations between Israel and Egypt.

### Coup ousts Caribbean flying-saucer fan

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (Reuter). — White shirts and other improvised flags of surrender fluttered over this Caribbean island's police stations yesterday after a dawn coup headed by leftist opposition leader Maurice Bishop.

jects, had flown to New York for talks at the world body. Gairy, who claims that his 30-year authoritarian rule of Grenada was an assignment from God, was yesterday waiting in a New York hotel room for a response to his urgent international appeal for help.

population 100,000 — claim he is a dictator and accuse him of using strong-arm groups to silence his opponents. (His successor Bishop had a son killed five years ago.)

### 30 die in flames of Greek bus

SALONIKA (Reuter). — Thirty people, 24 of them women, were burned to death and 22 suffered serious burns when a Greek bus collided with a Yugoslav tanker truck near the Yugoslav border yesterday, police said.

### S. Africa's former secret police boss loses passport

PRETORIA (Reuter). — General Hendrik van den Bergh, former chief of the notorious Bureau of Information Security (BOIS) and a central figure in South Africa's big government scandal, said yesterday police have confiscated his passport.

week for a secret meeting with Dr. Eschel Rhoodie, fugitive former chief of the Information Department. According to the general, Rhoodie had threatened to expose damaging government secrets unless his name was cleared.

### Mexico bus crash

MEXICO CITY (Reuter). — At least 13 people were killed on Tuesday when a bus fell off a precipice in San Luis Potosi, 450 km. north of here, police said.

### Chinese jets ignored by Viets

BANGKOK. — The Chinese are flying unchallenged air sorties along the Vietnamese border while the Vietnamese stage some harassment attacks against Peking's troops, analysts here said yesterday.

sive enough to provoke Chinese action, a diplomat said. The nearly month-old war now appears to be characterized by small-scale infantry clashes, artillery duels and a Chinese withdrawal aimed at providing maximum security to its troops.

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### Stronger British backing seen for Palestinians in ME policy

By HYAM CORNEY  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — There are renewed fears in some local Jewish groups that Britain may be adopting — or at least preparing the ground for adopting — a policy on the Middle East that more openly favours the Palestinian cause.

### Red Brigades 'kneecap' Fiat executive

TURIN. — Terrorists handcuffed a middle-ranking executive of Italy's Fiat company yesterday and then shot him in the legs, Fiat officials said.

### Brazil to get new president today

BRASILIA (Reuter). — General Joao Baptista Figueiredo will be sworn in today as Brazil's new president, raising his countrymen's hopes that a new democratic era will begin.

### Space-lab gets supplies

MOSCOW (Reuter). — An unmanned cargo spacecraft yesterday docked with the orbiting Soviet space station Salyut-6, Moscow Radio reported.

### White S. African miners end strike

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter). — White South African miners returned to work yesterday after the end of a week-long strike, which began as a protest over coloured workers getting jobs formerly reserved for whites.

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# A longing for the time when everyone pulled together Call in U.S. to re-introduce the draft

By ROBERT CHESHYRE/Observer Foreign News Service

WASHINGTON — An impassioned public debate is gaining momentum here over whether compulsory military service should be re-introduced for America's young people.

Advocates of the idea range from the far right to at least the liberal centre, a slightly uneasy alliance of people who want different ends but the same means.

Libertarians are already reaching for the Constitution, branding any form of compulsory service as "involuntary servitude," and denouncing it as regimentation more normally associated with totalitarian countries.

However, the impetus for re-introducing the draft comes from the political right from a desire to beat up the present all-volunteer armed services, as well as from a growing despair among liberals about a lack of idealism among the young. Liberals also fear that social classes and ethnic groups are growing increasingly apart.

When Nixon abolished the draft in 1973, it had been selective and predominantly caught the poor and blacks, while rich, white, middle-class youths escaped into the university campuses. The comparison of casualties in Vietnam between different groups was condemnation enough of the draft's inequities.

However, since then the proportion of blacks in the all-volunteer armed services has grown. By next year blacks will account for 46 per cent of all the junior enlisted people

and 65 per cent of those with six or more years' service. And, despite the higher wages paid to volunteers, all four services (Navy, Army, Air Force and Marines) failed for the first time to reach their recruiting targets in the last quarter of last year.

Poor educational standards and lack of useful skills also concern the military establishment. One in 20 recruits coming into the army is a "functional illiterate," and cannot follow training manuals or written instructions. Such recruits are given a six-week course to bring them up to the reading standards of an average 10-year-old.

At the same time a new level of highly sophisticated military hardware is about to be introduced. To enable recruits to cope with this new weaponry, the Army is introducing millions of dollars worth of audiovisual equipment, comic-book style manuals and highly simplified procedures.

A compulsorily drafted cross-section of American society would — whatever the turnover problems — improve educational and skill levels immeasurably. One cynic remarked that elderly right-wingers calling for the draft are terrified of having to rely on poor, black kids to defend them in the next war.

Some who do not yet wish to go the whole way with the draft, believe

that at least all young people should be required to register so that they could be quickly drafted in the event of war. At the moment it is estimated that it would take 65 days to produce the first drafted man, by which time the Russians would be home again.

The idealistic argument for the draft is that America is becoming a more self-centred society, and offers its children little that is either noble or dangerous. Middle-aged liberals look back nostalgically to World War II — in much the same way that the British do — as a period when everyone pulled together.

ONE WHO THINKS along these lines is Charles Peters, editor of the "Washington Monthly," which was founded 10 years ago in the belief that there was something basically wrong with the American system of government. He now says that conscription would not only fill the ranks of the military, and in a civilian form help care for the old and the sick and get the dirty jobs done, but also throw young people together in a wholly beneficial way.

In essence, a young man from Alabama or the Bronx could find himself in the next bed to a Kennedy without having to get to Harvard Law School.

A Republican congressman from California has drawn up four

categories of public service from which young people could choose: two years military training, six months active duty followed by 5 1/2 years in the reserves, one year's community service, or a lottery which could make them liable to military draft any time until they were 36.

Opponents of the draft accuse men like Peters of not having thought through the implications. If the draft is compulsory, then people who refused it would have to be jailed or deprived of some of their rights. (It has been suggested, for example, that they might have their driving licences confiscated.) Do Americans really want to return to the divisiveness of the Vietnam period, when draft-dodgers fled to Canada and Sweden or were imprisoned?

The American Civil Liberties Union brands conscription as "a severe infringement of civil liberties." A "Washington Post" columnist, attacking Peters, wrote ironically, "Draft everyone, put the shirkers in jail. That will teach the little bastards some patriotism."

But support for the draft is growing, and the debate, which has already had one airing on the floor of the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee, is only just beginning. The "Washington Star" concluded a major editorial on the subject: "A national service system could invigorate an under-used national resource, the mental and physical energies of the young." Put like that, it is a sentiment that will attract a lot of backers.



The Vietnam War, and then the draft, proved popular rallying points for American youth. Those shown above are participating in a sit-down protest against the man who repealed the draft, Richard Nixon. (Camera Press)

## Pakistan pushes laws of Islam

By IAN MATHER Observer Foreign News Service

RAWALPINDI — Pakistan's military rulers are pressing ahead with more Islamic laws despite ominous signs of resistance from Shia Moslems who form a sizeable minority here.

The Shias, who claim the support of one-quarter of the population, say they will resist some of the new laws with "any amount of sacrifices of life, limb and reputation."

After five years after Gen. Zia ul-Haq, the chief martial law administrator, announced the first batch of the Islamic laws, it seems to have dawned on the Shias that they are based entirely on the principles favoured by the predominant Sunni sect.

However, Judge Mohammed Afzal Chema, a former High Court judge who heads the Council for Islamic Ideology, a religious "think tank" which is drawing up the new laws, told me he was confident that compromises with the Shias could be found.

The Council will meet in Karachi tomorrow to scrap the British-based laws on murder and replace them with an Islamic law based on the "blood money" concept.

ACCORDING TO Islamic law murder is a crime against the victim's family, not against the State, and is therefore "compoundable" or negotiable. The victim's family decides the murderer's fate. They may insist on death, pardon him completely, or accept a sum of "blood money."

Chema told me: "Having practised at the bar for many years I can assure you that already murder is often negotiable in Pakistan. There are often private deals between the murderer and the victim's family. The prosecution witnesses first tell their story in court as they told it to the police to avoid perjury. Then they tell their story completely to defence lawyers in questioning. Thus the murderer is acquitted."

The aim of Islamic law is to put an end to family blood feuds. Under the Western system the victim's family often feel aggrieved when a murderer is acquitted so they commit another murder, and the vendetta continues. Under the Islamic system the relatives are compensated.

New laws on corruption have also been drawn up by the Ideology Council, but they were referred back to Zia, who in his zeal to clean up Pakistan did not consider their scope wide enough. Chema said the general wants to make it easier to prosecute more categories of officials.



Facing Mecca, a young Moslem offers his noonday prayer to Allah at the Badshahi Mosque in Lahore. (Unipix)

Prosecution procedures will be streamlined, and there will be powers to investigate officials living beyond their visible means of support. It will take two to three months to complete work on the new corruption laws, but when they are ready Western analysts consider the new laws could be a devastating instrument in the government's hands against political opponents.

THE SHIA "revolt" gathered momentum last week when the leader of the Central Ulami Organization, the principal body of Shia religious leaders, Said Nasir ul-Jehad, announced that Shias would begin a "mass agitation" and were considering withdrawing from the Ideology Council.

Earlier, sitting cross-legged on the thickly-carpeted floor of a Shia religious school in the densely packed bazaar area of Rawalpindi, I listened to the leader of the Rawalpindi Shias read their statement warning they would resist with life and limb.

Sitting beneath a portrait of Iran's Shia leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, Muzaffar Ali Shah said their principal objection was to zakat, a partly compulsory and partly voluntary Islamic welfare tax which Zia proposes to introduce in July. According to the Shias, zakat has to be an individual act of conscience and can never be levied compulsorily by the state.

Shah said: "As a good Moslem I pay it but I do not tell anyone else how much, not even my own

brothers. We distribute it among our own community because we know who needs help or money. Under Shia law it is not allowed to pay zakat to non-Shias."

SHIAS ALSO differ from Sunnis over hand amputation for theft. Shias accept the punishment but argue that only the fingers should be amputated since the palms of the hands are needed for prayer.

Zakat is a fundamental plank in Zia's "Islamisation" platform. It is intended to lead to the eradication of poverty, and is a justification for the harsh Koranic penalties for crime. A fund over \$200m. has already been set up, largely from donations from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. However, the Shias are not alone in fearing that much of the welfare money will find its way into the pockets of officials.

How serious the Shia threat is remains to be seen. In Pakistan the Shias have never had a political party. Now, for the first time, they have a motive for forming one. However, the Islamisation process is already being used for political ends by some of the Sunnis, especially those in the Jamaat-Islami, a hitherto small right-wing religious party which sees in the speediest possible implementation of Islamisation the road to real power.

Relations between Sunnis and Shias are generally good, though inter-marriage is rare, and the matrimonial advertisements in the newspapers always stipulate whether the desired partner must be Shia or Sunni.

But, put crudely, the Shia disaffection in Pakistan could develop into a struggle for supremacy between the Saudi Arabian branch of Islam and the Iranian.

## Elections in Ghana fire up the people

By JOHN MADELEY/Observer Foreign News Service

ACCRA, Ghana. — A cracked gramophone record bleats out the tune "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," as "Wily Willie" enters the dusty open-air arena.

"A new king is born," shouts the voice at a microphone and the 5,000-strong crowd roars with delight. William Ofori-Atta is running for president of Ghana as leader of the United National Convention, which recently held its inaugural meeting. Political parties have been banned in Ghana since the army took over in 1972.

Ghana, like Nigeria, is due to return to civilian rule this year. Elections for a president and members of the Assembly take place in May and June and fervour among the politically-conscious Ghanaians is already high.

The United National Convention is a new party, but "Wily Willie" is an old hand with an impeccable background. Imprisoned five times for political reasons — he was released from his fifth spell only last August — Ofori-Atta was one of Ghana's "big six" who wrested independence from Britain in the 1940s.

He now aspires to lead his country out of its worst economic crisis since the days of independence. In his speech to his party's inaugural meeting he says that the UNC will reconcile the various interests in society, promote the happiness and

welfare of all Ghanaians and make life enjoyable in the rural areas. All of which is just what the crowd had come to hear.

BUT HE EARNS his biggest cheer when he says that, if elected, the UNC will deny the military the right to interfere in the political affairs of Ghana ever again.

Blame for the country's inflation — 60 per cent in six years — its collapsing currency, empty shops and shortages of everything, is fixed firmly on the army. Ofori-Atta's plan is to come to an agreement with every sector of society that a total work stoppage will occur should the army try to take over.

The UNC is a broad-based coalition that just might be capable of making that kind of agreement. Right, left and centre politicians make up its ranks. To hail Willie Ofori-Atta as "king" is a little premature, but the UNC has come

is in with a strong chance.

THE THIRD main contestant — the People's National Party — consists of followers of Kwame Nkrumah, Ghana's first president, who was deposed in a 1966 coup. This party, which also has some organization intact, is led by Imoru Egan, who is also banned from holding office.

Nkrumahism is enjoying something of a re-birth in Ghana, but while Ghanaians like the messianic qualities that Nkrumah brought to the presidency, there is also a feeling that his over-spending is still today the fundamental cause of the country's problems.

The choices before Ghanaians is Euseia's followers. Nkrumah's followers for a new party such as the UNC. In all 17 parties are in the race. If the UNC can build up its organization in time and keep its coalition together it will take some beating.

Ghana has the mark of a potentially rich country that is badly managed. There are some able people in all the parties and the hope is that people of ability will come to the top and reverse the years of decline.

For the new president a key task will be to dispel the myth that he is a new messiah who can provide instant solutions to all problems. But if he can keep his feet on the ground when all around want to crown him "king" then the new president will offer a new beginning.

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Davis Cup showdown in Germany tomorrow

By JACK LEON Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Shlomo Glickstein will make his bow as Israel's No. 1 Davis Cup singles raquet in the third round European zone tie against West Germany starting in Augsburg, West Germany, tomorrow.

After only nine months of occasional competition on the Association of Tennis Professionals circuit, he is already ranked 290th in the world by the ATP, which includes more than 300 players in its singles computer rankings. Glickstein defeated Krulivitz last autumn in the final of the Israeli national championships at Ramat Hasharon, and he was placed first in the ITA's 1978 men's singles rankings, ahead of Krulivitz, and with Wertheimer and Sherr bracketed in third place.

SOCCER PREVIEW

TEL AVIV. — The quarter-finals round of the State Cup games takes over from league fixtures in this weekend's soccer programme, with the game of the day at the Bloomfield Stadium in Jaffa between Tel Aviv Maccabi and cupholders Netanya Maccabi.

proved in the Second Division and have in recent weeks been amassing points at a rate that would assure them promotion at the end of the season. They may force Betar into extra time and even a replay.

Prompt China reply to IOC

PEKING (Reuter). — Peking advised the International Olympic Committee yesterday that it was ready to meet Taiwanese sports officials on March 27 to discuss who should represent China in the world sporting movement.

Lord Killanin sent cables to sports authorities in Peking and Taipei on Tuesday, suggesting that each side send two representatives to Lausanne. He asked for replies by March 27.

Aussie hopes gain with whittled score

MELBOURNE (Reuter). — Australia, set to score 382 to win, had whittled the target down to 265 for the loss of two wickets after the fourth day of the first cricket test against Pakistan here yesterday.

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Maccabi's slim cup chances still alive tonight

By STEVE KAPLAN Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israeli basketball champions Tel Aviv Maccabi host the defending European champions, Real Madrid, tonight at Yad Eliahu in a final round game of the European cup of champions.

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Sideliners

THE DANGERS of taking too long over celebrating a score were brought home to Greek soccer team PAOK recently. In a league match against Ethnikos, PAOK conceded goal while six of its players were still congratulating each other on a goal in the opposition half.

POLAND'S KAZIMIERZ DEYNA, who has won more than 100 caps for his country, may be the first foreigner in English soccer to ask for a transfer. Deyna joined Manchester City for \$180,000 at the start of this season but despite his vast experience has played only a few games for his new club.

IN ITS BID to qualify for the 1982 World Cup soccer finals, the official Arab kingdom of Kuwait is trying to tempt the man who masterminded England's victory in the 1966 tournament. He is Sir Alf Ramsey, and the salary he is being offered to manage the Kuwait national team is \$100,000 a year — tax free.

PALESTINE OF SANTIAGO is the new champion of Chile and will represent the country in the Libertadores Cup, for South American champions, next season. The surprise team of the season in Chile was Cobresal, from the northern copper-mining town of Chuquibambilla. The club finished second in the league in its first-ever season in the First Division. Alianza de Lima retained the Peruvian title, with Universitario second and Sporting Cristal third. (OSS)

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# Motoring

## Saving pedestrians

Road accidents are again on everybody's mind. For some years their number has remained steady, with about 630 dead, half of them pedestrians. What is so irritating is the recent recurrence of accidents in which whole families are decimated, writes Judge H.S. LOWENBERG, the long-time chairman of the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents.

As a judge, let me start discussing the subject from the aspect of law enforcement. I want to state right away that our traffic laws are totally adequate. There is no need for any new laws. Perhaps, there are too many already.

The problem is that the laws are not observed by large sections of the public, and the police cannot cope with enforcing them.

On the whole, the public is law-abiding. But a certain section make a habit of breaking the law, and especially the traffic laws. The obvious answer would be to have more and more traffic police on the road. The realities of life here are such, however, that little more police can be expected to be seen on traffic duty.

So now we aim at setting up "punitive" or special-duty police, added to the regular traffic force. We are talking about this with police headquarters, and hope something will come of it. Yet, whatever additional policemen can be added, they can never cope with all the need for traffic law enforcement.

In the end, therefore, traffic will have to be a self-regulating operation. This means that what is actually happening now, will have to be extended. Drivers have to watch themselves to be careful, and in extreme cases others will have to watch them to observe the laws and safety regulations. There is no other way.

This means more education of drivers and also of pedestrians. Within the framework of the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents "Defensive Driving" courses are being held — with excellent results.

These courses are meant for drivers with experience, the purpose being to refresh their knowledge of the car, road and driver, and to impart to them new knowledge and techniques in line with the rising volume of traffic. Everybody should attend such a course.

We always think of the driver when we think of accidents. That is wrong in part. True, drivers can in most cases avoid an accident, but the other hand, we must turn our attention much more to pedestrians.

Pedestrians in this country account for 50 per cent of fatal accidents and 40 per cent of injured victims. They constitute up to 80 per cent of all road accidents.

cent of all persons involved in accidents. What is more, pedestrians are very often to blame for the accident; they are the prime cause.

The trouble is that it is easier to "get at" the driver and to take his licence number than at the pedestrian, who has no such number. The result: we try to educate and re-educate the driver, rather than the walker.

That is obviously wrong here in Israel, where half the accident victims, and over half of all those involved, are walkers. We must reach out to them, with education, propaganda and guidance.

The National Council for the Prevention of Accidents will in the next month put the weight of its educational efforts on the walker.

Another word about drivers. In the last three years the rate of killed and injured has been brought down through the use of seat belts. Until 1975, when seat belt use on inter-urban roads was made mandatory, about 750 people were killed every year. Then the figure dropped to 630, and it has remained at that level. The means of saving about 100 lives each year has been a technical one.

Now that we are probably facing the need for fuel economy, we may have to enforce speed limits — those limits which have been the law for 15 years and more: 80 kph on highway roads (80 kph on speedways) and 50 kph in towns. It is common knowledge that this law is not being observed.

When speed limits were introduced in the U.S. and Europe after the oil embargo of 1973, accidents dropped so fast that fatalities in the U.S., for instance, dropped by a clear ten per cent. So long as the speed limits were observed, fatalities stayed down. In recent times they have gone up again — as everybody should know.

Everybody should know that even the fastest car operates at the greatest fuel economy when driven at 70-80 kph. Above and below those speeds, the engine uses more fuel. So, when petrol gets more expensive, and perhaps more scarce too, why not adjust speeds accordingly?

In the end it is up to us drivers to attain the best car performance and the safest way of driving. As Shakespeare said: "The fault, dear Brutus, is in ourselves, not in our stars."



During his visit in Cairo President Jimmy Carter used this custom-built open Cadillac. In Jerusalem, where he arrived at night, he travelled in a closed Cadillac limousine. In the picture above, the bodyguards of the two presidents in the front seat and on the special platform above the back bumpers can easily be identified by their worried looks.

American officials were more than reticent with information about the two presidential automobiles, which were flown in with the President's party. Even the driver in Jerusalem merely shook his head benevolently when our reporter asked him some very innocent questions about the shiny black Cadillac.

## GM goes in big for small cars

NEW YORK (AP) — "Time" magazine reports that as part of a major revolution in the auto industry, General Motors hopes to sell 325,000 of its new line of small cars between next month's introduction and September.

"In the splashiest and costliest auto debut in history, GM on April 19 will start selling its new Compact X cars on which it has so far spent \$2.5b.," the American news weekly reports.

It says the new cars weigh 2,500 pounds and have a wheelbase of 104 inches — or 800 pounds lighter and 20 inches shorter than the compact cars they are replacing.

"Time" says the American car industry is undergoing a "total revolution" in its rush to meet by 1985 "a series of sweeping and sometimes contradictory government regulations aimed at improving safety."

According to "Time," Japan's Takashi Ishihara, president of Nissan Motors, speaks of the American challenge as a war. He is quoted as saying: "We find ourselves on the eve of intense international competition with American automakers in the small car market, which hitherto has been the Japanese makers' stronghold."



## Dangerous truckloads

By KINUE WEINSTEIN  
When is a safety hazard not a safety hazard? As long as it does not actually cause accidents. This seems to be the situation with regard to improperly loaded trucks.

Many motorists have probably had the experience of driving behind a truck which either spills bits of dirt, gravel and even cement as it moves along, or which looks as if it was about to lose some of its load. Some trucks carrying rocks, which do not have a tail-gate, seem to be especially dangerous, for a sudden stop might send part of their load down on the cars behind them.

The fact that there have been no reported accidents makes the danger no less real. A traffic summons, however, can only be issued after part of the load has actually fallen from the truck.

There are, of course, regulations for the proper loading of trucks. David Yahn, of the Transport Ministry's Licensing Department, points out that these regulations have been on the books since Israel joined the UN Conference on Road Traffic in 1968, and they are in keep-

ing with international standards. Their aim is to ensure that trucks are not overloaded and that their load is adequately secured.

For instance, the load may not press against the sides of a truck's box or extend over its sides. The load may extend the length of the truck by up to one metre in the front and back, but it must be clearly marked with a luminous red triangle. Moreover, the load must not block the driver's view or his vehicle's licence plate and turn signals.

Because of the many different truck designs, however, the laws are formulated in general terms and, says Yahn, they are intended as guidelines for the drivers.

An official at the Trucking Board in Tel Aviv, when asked how much attention is paid to proper loading, replied that compliance with regulations is left to individual firms. The assumption is that all firms affiliated with the board follow the law, and that the police is the body responsible for enforcing the regulations.

Sgan-Nitzav Shmuel Bogler, head of the Traffic Department at National Police Headquarters, says that policemen are instructed to issue summonses if they see anything falling from a moving truck. He admits, however, that enforcing the regulations concerning truck loading is not regarded as a high-priority matter. Bogler claims that to the best of his knowledge there were no accidents caused by spillage from trucks last year. Policemen are likely to ticket violations of loading regulations only if they happen to be behind an offending truck. Bogler does point out, however, that any citizen may report such a violation to the police.

Even if the potential danger of improper loading is not great, there is room to question the wisdom of a policy that waits for trouble to develop. A driver involved in an accident caused by falling dirt or stones will find little comfort in the knowledge that a summons will be issued after the fact.

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## ONE FOR THE ROAD

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How about the lowly pedestrian? In these mad times, when driving from one place to another involves one almost immediately in a bit of budgetary acrobatics — distance to destination divided by the car's fuel consumption per kilometre, plus allowances for that steep hill and heavy fuel consumption driving past the Kiryat — not to mention wear and tear per kilometre, depreciation etc.,

**WALKING IS CHEAPER**  
The biggest profit of all, if you walk enough, is that you discover one day that you can see your feet again, the paunch is almost gone and, by gum, you whistle while you walk! Sounds good — doesn't it?

**WALKING IS HEALTHIER**  
Let's start from the beginning. My doctor told me to walk. Prof. Ezra Zohar says it's good to walk. Only it seems that I live in the wrong place. Maybe if I lived in Haifa, or Jerusalem, where they have an energetic mayor...

**WALKING IS MORE FUN**  
It isn't as if the city fathers hadn't thought of the possibility that one fine day somebody might want to walk. Believe it or not — my hometown, south of Tel Aviv, at one time had fine pavements with shady trees and stone benches and fenced-in plots. The streets were well lit. The founding fathers in their original blueprint even provided for a huge green belt to run the entire length of our community. There was a fine botanical garden nearby and shady eucalyptus trees, but, best of all, there were vast undulating sand-dunes with century-old sycamores.

The sycamores were the first to "go." Pruned, finally uprooted, to give way to apartment houses. With them went the dunes. The botanical gardens were placed out-of-bounds to us city dwellers. (They belong to an agricultural school.) The pavements were narrowed down, the stone benches removed to yield to pizzerias and sellers of sesame and sunflower seeds.

I've tried walking along a main road leading out of the city. But even at *shabbat* dawn the spluttering exhaust fumes of the cars, howling past, yielded more carbon monoxide within the hour than I had inhaled in a whole decade of *shabbat* before.

The park was whittled down. What



vehicles roaring in front and immediately behind you. Chances are that you'll wind up with a faceful of diesel fuel soot (it's not as harmful as the petrol exhaust).

And you'd better hurry up if you don't want to get stuck with another red pedestrian light halfway across the road. That is — provided you can make it and there aren't some cars parked on what, according to the law, is your zebra right-of-way.

Driving school cars are particularly good at stopping on the zebra strip, but some bus drivers have also perfected the art. The trick seems to be hitting some innocent pedestrian with a sudden blast from a revved up engine just as he crosses (a) in front of the bus (b) in front of the engine covers, where the noise is louder or (c) — and this is a real masterpiece — to treat the pedestrian as he walks in front of the exhaust. The latter operation requires split-second timing, quick reflexes on the part of the driver, and excellent coordination. The driver has to look into the rear mirror to gauge the distance, step on the accelerator precisely at the right moment, make allowance for a two-second interval between the engine "greeting" and its spluttering exhaust reaction.

**WALKING AT ALL TIMES**

There always remains walking at night. Say, around midnight, when vehicular and pedestrian volume has thinned out. The streets aren't swept yet and chances you will find yourself wading through a deep residue of greasy pizza wrappers (winter) or ice cream and sundries (summer).

After midnight you risk being picked up by the police for loitering. Be sure to wear light-fitting clothes, so you can raise your arms in a hurry when challenged. Don't — under any circumstances try to fish out your identity card first.

There there is the beach. But I came back with so many unmentionables glued to the soles of my shoes, that I had to quarantine that particular pair (my favourite) for over a fortnight. Smell was one of the reasons.

So now I'm back in my car again. I drive to a likely spot, lower the window and take a couple of quick sniffs before winding the windows up again.

My car does seven kilometres to the litre...

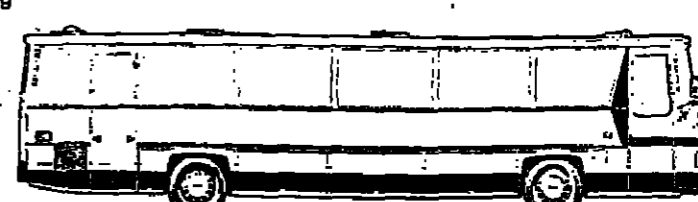


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Top TWA mission to Jerusalem and Cairo

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter
Hard on the heels of renewed hopes for a peace treaty with Egypt, a high-level delegation of Trans World Airlines (TWA) is about to visit the two countries within a few days.

Mayor Teddy Kolek. Led by Curt Strand, president of the airline, the group will remain in Israel until Tuesday, when it will continue by direct flight to Cairo. Officially the purpose of the Cairo visit is to inaugurate the 900-room Ramesses Hilton Hotel.



Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat cuts a giant cake to mark the official opening this week of the new seaside extension of Rehov Hayarkon. Sheraton Hotel pastry bakers made the cake to show the new road, complete with traffic markings, and, of course, their hotel.

Health funds and tax evaders

By MACCABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The greatest beneficiaries under the proposed National Health Law will undoubtedly be the 100,000 or more Israelis who pay either no income tax or who cheat on their income tax returns.

but it is also ineffective — otherwise we would not have some 100,000 persons not paying honest income taxes, a state of affairs which the authorities have not been able to correct.

Bayside Land Corp. reports 134% increase in profits

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Bayside Land Corp. has released its annual report for 1978 which shows that net profits had risen by 134 per cent, to IL2.8m.

IL2.8m. An evaluation of Bayside's land and other assets, made in May 1978, placed them at about IL280m. They are carried on the company's books at a value of IL60m.

Nesher's switch from oil to coal may have far-reaching consequences

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Nesher Cement Company intends switching from oil to coal to fire the kilns in its Haifa and Ramla plants. This will help diversify the country's overall fuel needs, coming on top of the Electric Corporation's decision to use coal at its new Hadera plant.

electric power station to Haifa port too. Once the Haifa facility would start operating and prove that it is not a pollution hazard for the town, objections to it would fall away.

Share influx of IL6b. next year?

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — With an estimated IL6b. worth of shares entering the market next year, volume on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange could reach a daily IL100m. turnover.

are traded on the exchange "whenever there is suspicion that the law has been violated."

Carmel opens giant rug showroom

TEL AVIV. — The largest display room for rugs in the country, with some 1,500 sq.m., was inaugurated yesterday by Avraham Shapiro, head of Carmel Carpets, at 13 Rehov Modi'in in Ramat Gan.

rugs but to offer free advice to householders shopping for rugs, in all fields, such as quality, price and types.

Haral said he would agree to handing the coal only if he could build a special jetty and covered unloading facility, which would prevent air pollution. The coal would be loaded on rail cars inside the facility.

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Exxon cuts oil supply to Japan

TOKYO (AP). — Exxon International Corp., the marketing arm of the world's biggest oil major, has notified some Japanese distributors of a 50 per cent oil supply cut in a half year period and a total cut after that, a trade source here said Tuesday.

Attempt to lure pensioners back to industrial production lines

By AARON SITTNER Jerusalem Post Reporter
Ways of getting pensioners back to work — either full-time or part-time — are under active study by a special committee of the Employment Service.

Crossword puzzle section titled 'TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD' with 'CRYPTIC PUZZLE' and 'EASY PUZZLE' sections, including a grid and clues.



Market rallies to optimistic peace news

Stocks & bonds—the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV.—The renewed hopes for an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty yesterday sparked a rally in the share market. Local investors were slow to react to the news emanating from Egypt and only in the latter part of the morning were the buy orders...

aimed at slowing down the pace, rather than attacking the problem at its roots. In the meantime, those who recently made investment in shares saw their holdings appreciate in price. Of the big three banks only Hapoalim (b) shares managed an advance. The shares rose by one point. Mizrahi (r) was heavily traded and gained two points. Union Bank was up by five while Israel General gained one.

LLI jumped by 14 to 353. Land Development shares rose by some three per cent, on the average. Property and Building rose by seven to 353. Neot Aviv did not trade yesterday and it will not be traded today. The decision to stop trading in these shares was taken as a result of a court decision to place the firm in receivership.

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Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table with columns: Closing price, Volume, Change, etc. Lists various stocks and their performance on March 14, 1979.

Representative bond prices

Table listing bond prices, yields, and prices for various government and corporate bonds.

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Dollar up in Japan

TOKYO (Reuters).—The Bank of Japan sold a record \$600m. on the 20,000 Tokyo foreign exchange market yesterday but failed to stop the U.S. dollar from rising against the yen.

Inflation among main problems of Brazil's new president

A NEW Brazilian government, led by Joao Batista Figueiredo, takes over as of today, with balance of payments problems and chronic inflation among the nation's chief concerns.

Most active shares

Table listing the most active shares on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, including Mizrahi, Hapoalim, and others.

Work productivity, though rising, still low by world standards

By AARON SITNER Jerusalem Post Reporter. The productivity rate of Israelis is improving, according to Dr. Israel Katz, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs.

Volunteers make an important contribution to tourism industry

TEL AVIV.—The Voluntary Tourist Service (VTS) celebrates its 10th anniversary this month, and although few Israelis may have heard of the organization, its 600 members are providing a valuable — and free — service to thousands of tourists who come here.

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PETROLEUM SERVICES LTD. Notice of Public Tender

Petroleum Services Ltd., is preparing publication of a tender for the concrete pouring of an underground tunnel in central Israel.

FUND RATES

Table listing fund rates, trustees, and redemption prices for various investment funds as of March 14, 1979.

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## Public order and the law

**THE PROMISE** of imminent peace with Egypt was certain to touch off a wave of violent protest among those Jews in Israel and Arabs in the territories who look upon it as a dire threat to their cherished aspirations. With President Carter's arrival in Jerusalem last Saturday night, this is just what happened.

Although Mr. Carter left for home two days ago, riots are continuing in a number of West Bank towns, complete with street demonstrations, tyre burnings and stoning of the military. Things have quietened down in Israel proper, but as the time for the signing of the treaty draws near, they may well take on an even uglier character than before.

Opponents of the peace in both camps share the conviction, voiced by a Gush Emdunin theoretician, that "the lady is not for sharing." This land, in other words, can either be all Jewish, or all Arab, but not both; and Jewish fundamentalism decrees that it should stay all Jewish.

PLO chief Yasser Arafat spoke, paradoxically, in a similar vein for the West Bank rioters this week when he pledged "to fill the torch of revolution with fire and blood until the whole of the homeland, and not just a part, is liberated."

In their disparate ways both Rejectionist groups pose a grave threat to constituted authority. What is called for is a vigorous but measured response to their challenge.

Palestinians are entitled to think that their "legitimate rights" are insufficiently expressed in the scheme for self-government. But they need not expect Israel to be terrorized into yielding them powers to be used for Israel's extirpation.

By the same token, the Jewish fundamentalist group centring around Gush Emdunin cannot expect acceptance of their claim of divine right to define national policy in defiance of the will of the majority.

To be sure, Gush followers have not been engaging in outright organized terror: the country, after all, is ruled by their own kin. But some of their recent actions, especially, have had all the earmarks of patent lawlessness. Such have been their attempted assaults on the person of the U.S. president, and the brazen vigilante-type dispersal of the Ramallah demonstrations by settlers from Ofra, followed by contemptuous refusals to hand over their arms.

The security forces must discharge their responsibilities by disciplining the delinquents — without copying their methods. Public order must be preserved without trampling upon private rights.

This may be a tall order, but the country cannot have anything less. Israeli democracy must not allow an occupation mentality to prevail in any area subject to its sovereign control.

An example of conduct unbecoming of the armed forces is their strong-arm suppression of riots at Bir Zeit, which resulted in the "accidental" shooting of four Arab students. The appointment of a commission of inquiry on this case is welcome, but the commission will have wasted its time unless it makes sure that its findings are not a whitewash, and that they are forcefully acted upon.

A similar inquiry is surely called for into the wholesale and indiscriminate police arrest of supposed Gush Emdunin sympathizers as a preventive measure designed to assure Mr. Carter's safety. This was done on ostensibly legal grounds, for the penal code authorizes the police to detain any person for 48 hours on suspicion of his having committed or conspired to commit an offence.

According to all indications, however, the police completely disregarded the High Court's requirement that the conspiracy must be evidenced by more than mere preparation. The police were anxious to prevent any disruption of Mr. Carter's visit, and never mind the legal niceties.

This way lies the ruin of a law abiding society. Fire may be fought with fire, but illegality cannot be fought with illegality — without breeding only more of the same.

## 11th HOUR MOVE

**DAVID LANDAU** perceives "a bold exercise of leadership" by Prime Minister Begin in his final summit meeting with President Carter, but queries whether its results could not have been achieved months ago.

"THERE IS NO escape from summitry," Abba Eban MK said in *The Jerusalem Post* on this page on Tuesday.

We cannot know whether Prime Minister Menahem Begin, one of our most loyal readers, had the time to absorb Eban's advice before setting out from his home to the King David Hotel for what was to be a faithful breakfast meeting with President Carter. But whether he read the advice or not, he took it.

"He showed real leadership — prime ministerial mettle," said a highly placed source, one of the few men who knew at the time of the dramatic breakthrough that was being achieved by the Prime Minister and the President.

This source, not one of Begin's aides, praised the Premier for "seeing the broad, historical perspective, discerning between vital issues and less consequential ones, holding out for the first and conceding the second."

The basic truth behind the 11th-hour breakthrough is that the Prime Minister consciously stepped out ahead of his cabinet, and, during that breakfast meeting, treated and traded with Carter as one authoritative leader with another.

Now of course there is a fundamental difference between the constitutional powers and position of an American president and a prime minister in a cabinet democracy of the Israeli (British-based) type. And yet, even in the cabinet system, there are moments when the prime minister must cease to be merely the chairman of a panel — the cabinet — and assume a much more individual, almost autocratic, responsibility.

The difference between the two systems manifests itself again in the prime minister's decision or action

is not supported subsequently by his cabinet, his party, and the majority of his parliament. Then, as Menahem Begin himself pointed out in his media interviews on Tuesday night, the prime minister must resign, bringing down the entire government with him. An American president does not require such an *ipso facto* endorsement; and he cannot resign even if he feels that his move is not supported.

TUESDAY MORNING was one of those rare moments when a prime minister is required to act like a president — and face the risk of later paying the price inevitably exacted if such presidential-type decision-making is repudiated.

Begin sensed the nature of the moment — and rose to it. Cyriacs will say that he rose to it because he had no other choice, given the massive pressure inherent in the cliffhanging situation of the presidential mission. Be that as it may, the fact remains that he rose to it, and because he rose to it, we shall hopefully have a peace treaty with Egypt.

There is no doubt, according to informed sources, that the other cabinet ministers (barring Dayan, who, with U.S. Secretary of State Vance, sat in on part of the breakfast meeting) were not aware of the constitutional powers and position that had been achieved. They, like the rest of us, were apprised of it only hours later, by President Carter's announcement on the tarmac of Cairo Airport.

They did not know, as they waved goodbye to Air Force One at midday, that the Premier had promised the President to submit to the cabinet an American guarantee-pledge in place of the Israeli demand for regular and direct oil supplies from Egypt.

(Begin's submission, as had been demonstrated the week before, following his Washington visit, is tantamount to a recommendation — and his recommendation, as has been demonstrated throughout the peace process, is a virtual warranty of cabinet acceptance.) Only the night before this oil demand had been regarded by the cabinet as a *stip quo* now for the treaty. It was seen as a touchstone of Egypt's readiness, or reluctance, to engage in normal trade relations with Israel after peace.

Similarly, they did not know that, after months of rejection, Begin had now signalled his acceptance of the Egyptian demand that Israel vacate El-Arish almost at once, and that it submit a detailed, binding schedule for its phased withdrawal from the rest of the "interim withdrawal" area. In return for this, President Carter indicated, Egypt would be prepared to restore its agreement to exchange ambassadors with Israel upon completion of the interim withdrawal.

(At this time of writing, it is still not clear whether the Prime Minister remained totally adamant in rejecting Egypt's demand for a "liaison office" in Gaza or whether, here, too, he indicated a measure of compromise not previously approved by the cabinet. It is apparent, at any rate, that the Premier, despite the unique urgency of the situation, nevertheless held out firmly against the full brunt of the Egyptian demand, forcefully contending that it presented unacceptable political and strategic risks for Israel.)

WHILE APPRECIATING Begin's bold exercise of leadership qualities at a critical moment, many observers will now ask themselves

## Dry Bones



whether that same leadership could not have been shown months ago — back in November, when the peace talks first got bogged down in what, after all, were largely subsidiary issues, or even back in December 1977, when the Ismailiya summit flopped over semantic positions that were subsequently softened.

When the excitement and euphoria subsided, comparative studies will inevitably be made between the terms available at various earlier stages of the peace process and those agreed upon now.

On Article 6, paragraphs two and five, for instance, four months of astute haggling seems to have resulted in a return, by way of a

## Carter's remarks on returning to the U.S. Tired but grateful man

There were risks involved — they were pointed out to me by many people — political risks to me as President — and therefore, perhaps, even to the prestige of the United States. Fortunately, our work has had a happy result. But I want to stress that the effort would have been worth making regardless of the outcome of this trip.

IN WAR, we offer our very lives as a matter of routine and we must be no less daring, no less steadfast in the pursuit of peace.

For more than 30 years, the nations of Egypt and Israel who have been at odds and will be perpetual neighbours have existed in a continual state of hostility. That hostility

has exploded into combat four times, and each war has brought with it suffering and pain and loss of life, renewed fear and hatred, and great danger for that entire region and the world beyond. But in the last 16 months the war has finally been opened to peace.

When I decided to make this trip, the peace negotiations seemed to have reached a stalemate. After long hours of discussions in both Egypt and Israel the proposals were made for resolving all the outstanding issues.

All but two of those issues have been resolved with Prime Minister Begin and the Israeli cabinet. Less than three hours from now, the Prime Minister will present the

meaningless "agreed memorandum," to that happy ambivalence achieved by the texts of the two treaty clauses themselves. If Begin's cabinet majority had accepted the "linkage" side-letter in November, along with the treaty text, instead of repudiating their top negotiators, Dayan and Weizman, the subsequent months of tension and anguish might have been dispensed with. Is today's "side letter," with its slightly amended "target date," so very different from that which was agreed upon at Camp David?

While it may not yet be the time to answer these questions, it is certainly too early to raise them.

THE LEADERS of Egypt and Israel are now daring to break the pattern of 30 years of bitterness and war. They are following the advice of the biblical proverb: "When a man always pleases the Lord, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him." In choosing peace, President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin are venturing into the unknown.

But they know that these United States will be with them as they begin to make peace a living reality for their own people. I am thankful that the friendships between the countries and the United States were now growing even stronger when our own two friends are friends with one another.

Through private messages and public statements — messages from Air Force One (the President's plane) on my return home — urging other world leaders to port what Egypt and Israel have done, for it offers hope to all who were unending in their prayers for coming out to greet us. The God that has answered our prayers.

## POSTSCRIPTS

TWO U.S. COLLEGE professors say they've found the answer to a famous mathematical problem, but they also say you don't want to know about it.

The problem itself is difficult to state, and an explanation of the solution takes 25 pages, AP reports.

The discovery may not be fully appreciated by the general public," said Helama Ferguson of Brigham Young University, "but mathematicians who take a week or so to sort through it will see that it works."

Ferguson, a BYU associate professor, and Rodney Forcade, a visiting assistant professor from Southern Illinois University, described their accomplishment recently at American Mathematical Society meetings in Biloxi, Mississippi.

The problem, which can be traced back nearly 2,000 years to Euclid, involves trying to find a systematic way to discover a relationship among irrational numbers, such as square roots and fractions.

Ferguson and Forcade began working on the problem two years ago. Coming up with the solution did not depend upon computers, but Ferguson said it helps to have one handy to apply it.

In two hours of computer work, the technique can be used on a group of numbers in a manner that would have taken 18th and 19th century mathematicians "trillions of centuries" to complete, Ferguson said.

"Based on the work we have done, we can see why other mathematicians failed to discover the solution," he said.

MAN IS sawing and hacking away at such a rate that every year an area the size of Cuba is denuded of trees, Reuter reports.

This is the conclusion of Worldwatch Institute, an organization partly funded by the UN which issues periodic research papers on economic development, environmental and related questions.

According to Erik Eckholm, author of the latest study, rampant forest destruction in the humid tropics has worldwide implications, threatening the extinction of thousands of plant and animal species over the next quarter-century.

Clearing the tropical forests might increase the carbon dioxide level in the atmosphere, changing the global climate, Eckholm, a leading environmentalist, said. While the forest area of North America and Europe was stable, at least 11 million hectares of Africa, Asia and Latin America are being denuded annually — an area about the size of Cuba.

"MABAT" isn't the only news broadcast that sometimes fails to get the "bugs" out. On a recent Saturday night, the woman newscaster on Jordan TV's Hebrew news show was really bugged. A huge fly insolently flew onto her shoulder, walking up to her neck and buzzed for five minutes between her head and the camera lens. Even an attempt by a colleague in the studio to shoot it away with a piece of paper (clearly visible on the screen) was fruitless. At the end of the show, the poor Hebrew newscaster looked very relieved. Was it a Jewish gadyf? J.S.

## SERVING JUSTICE

The Post's **DAVID KRIVINE** discusses the recent reforms in administrative detention procedures and how they may be applied over the Green Line.

JUSTICE MINISTER Shmuel Tamir's promise to reform the procedure for administrative detention was passed into law on March 5. It is a good measure — except that it applies only to territory within the Green Line. Israel does not legislate for the administered areas.

Yet the problem of administrative detention — imprisonment without trial — exists primarily in the West Bank, where Arab terrorism is most rampant. It affects Israel hardly at all.

Normally the procedure is for the military government to adopt the legislation passed by the Knesset and apply it in the administered territories at its own discretion. This time informed circles are not at all sure that Defence Minister Ezer Weizman will give the order.

Administrative detention is allowed (for zones under military occupation) under the relevant international convention. The provision applied by the Israelis is the Emergency Defence Regulations dating back to British Mandatory times.

The view of the military is that prevention is better than cure. It is preferable to arrest the man before his bomb goes off than after. A law court will sentence him only after he has committed his crime. Administrative detention is a device for by-passing the court.

THERE ARE, of course, judicial safeguards, but they have been somewhat exiguous to date. A review board, presided over by an army judge or senior civil servant, examines each case once in six months and makes recommendations. Its proceedings are held in camera. The prisoner has the right to petition the High Court, but the court is unlikely to overturn the board unless it has committed a flagrant breach of the law or compromised the principles of natural justice. The whole device is not palatable.

The military should not have a quasi-judicial power — indeed do they really need it? There are only about 20 such prisoners at the moment. There were never as many as 40. In a democratic society the law courts ought to have the last word on matters pertaining to personal rights and liberty. Is there really a case for making an exception to that rule, even during the present hard conflict with the PLO's murder gangs?

The new law does not abolish administrative detention, but it does make a number of welcome changes. It vests the prerogative to detain without trial, hitherto held by the Chief of Staff or the Area Commanders, in the hands of the Defence Minister personally. He is to quote the bill's explanatory notes: "Will of course bear full parliamentary responsibility for his actions."

More important, any detention order put out by the Defence Minister "shall be submitted for the approval of the President of the District Court within 48 hours; if the hearing before the President has not begun within those 48 hours, the detainee is to be released."

THE DEFENCE Minister may not order detention for a period exceeding six months. If he wants to prolong the arrest he must go through the same procedure with the District Court all over again. The President of the District Court must review the detention order at least once every three months, and may do it more often if he thinks it necessary.

The hearings are still in camera. On the other hand the detained person has the right to be present. He also has the right of appeal against the court's decision to a judge of the Supreme Court.

The Defence Minister will have to satisfy the bench not just that the detention is expedient for the maintenance of military security, as under the existing regulations, but that it is the only means of achieving that objective. A plea that the man's imprisonment helps to suppress a riot or rebellion will not suffice per se. The decision must have been "necessary to prevent injury to the security of the state or the public."

Moreover, detention must be the only means whereby the security purpose can be achieved. If it should be possible to accomplish the same objective in any other way, e.g., by restricting the movements of the person in question, then the issue of a detention order is no longer permissible.

The importance of this reform is that a person arrested for being an enemy of the state will have recourse to a court of justice. The court will set the detention order aside if it is persuaded that "the reasons for which the Minister of Defense made the order were not objective reasons of state security or public security, or that the order was made in bad faith or out of irrelevant considerations."

IN CONSIDERING whether to extend this new order to the West Bank and Gaza, it should be borne in mind that the bill does not have to be reproduced textually. The courts exercising the stated functions could not be the civilian district courts, for a start. Use would have to be made of the military courts; and there is no appeal from their verdicts.

As it happens, the idea of setting up a military appeals court has been under discussion for some time. The opportunity could be taken of killing two birds with one stone — by creating a military appeals court, which should serve the administrative detainees as well.

Under the new law, Israeli nationals may not be deported, nor can they be denied admittance into the country. This clause too may be difficult to apply rigidly to the residents of the territories; but that is not a reason for shelving the whole measure.

The question Weizman must consider is this: If the bulk of the provisions in the above new law are adopted by the military government, will the security service be seriously handicapped in their work? Will the tightened judicial control have a negative effect on their efforts to defuse terrorist activities?

That is the only issue to consider. There is no other justification for failing to humanize a process which, however necessary the military may consider it, is basically uncivilized.

## READERS' LETTERS

**A DEBT TO HADASSAH**  
 To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*  
 Sir — During the 14 years I have been in Jerusalem, mostly with the United Nations, I have heard and read paeans of praise and appreciation bestowed on Hadassah Hospital for its dedicated health services to patients irrespective of their race, colour or faith. I was recently able to see, with my own eyes Arab patients from Damascus and Kuwait given the same devoted treatment as Israeli patients. Hadassah's healing processes literally cover the whole of the Middle East and beyond and they have recently reached a far-away country like Burma by treating my wife for lung cancer during the last seven months.

My wife was operated on 25 June, 1978, and chemo-therapy was administered throughout the entire seven months she was in Jerusalem.

Right from the very beginning, was a hopeless case. But the doctor who treated her never gave up the hope of prolonging her life to the extent possible in such cases. The doctors, the interns and the kind many of the entire Oncology Department were unstinting in their devoted services to make my wife's few remaining months of life as comfortable as possible.

We left for the United States January 12 for further treatment. Very sadly, complications set in: my wife passed away on January Her sudden demise, however, not detracted in the least from monumental debt of gratitude I owe to the entire staff of Hadassah Hospital for looking after my wife in the devoted way they did.

ROBERT T. MYAL  
 Gaithersburg, MD.

## SEX COUNSELLING IN JERUSALEM

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*  
 Sir — In the past few weeks, Mr. Haim Shapiro has published reports relating to the problems of sex counselling in Israel and particularly in Jerusalem.

I beg to differ with Mr. Shapiro in respect to some of his statements regarding the availability of sexual counselling in Jerusalem. Among others, he states in his article of February 7 that "there is no public clinic for sexual problems in Jerusalem."

Hadassah, as a pioneer in most areas of medical care in Israel, over 10 years ago started a clinic in cooperation with the departments of psychiatry and gynaecology. The late Professor Z. Polshak and myself initiated this cooperation between the two departments, which then developed into a psychosomatic and family counselling clinic dealing with all the aspects of sexual, marital and family problems. The clinic has been well known to the medical community of Jerusalem; many referrals are made by family physicians and others who are in need of advice come directly after having consulted their family doctors.

After having excluded the existence of different organic conditions, in consultation with other

## ELECTRICITY FINES

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*  
 Sir — It is unbelievable that a committee of economic ministers could propose the imposition of fines for consumption of more than 200 kWh of electricity per month. Your correspondent Asher Wallfish rightly uses the word ludicrous for the suggestion.

What about elderly people? Air conditioners or fans are a necessity for them in many parts of the country, as are small electric heaters for

those who do not have central heating and cannot safely heat kerotens stoves. The elderly have to use more powerful but because of reduced eyesight. So the occasional warm bath, and especially run up monthly electric bills of between 280 and 380 kWh. Especially as [I] health forces them stay home most of the time.

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